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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for a continuation-in-part application of Appl. 09/627,058 filed on July 27, 2000.

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IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND PROCESSING IMAGE For: SYSTEM

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